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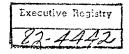
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Interagency Group No. 18

TO:

OVP - Mrs. Nancy Bearg Dyke NSC - Mr. Michael Wheeler DOD - Col. John Stanford

JCS - Lt. Col. Edward Bucknell

SUBJECT:

Interagency Group Meeting on Horn of Africa,

February 19, 1982

#### SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS

This initial meeting of the IG considered the draft terms of reference which had been previously circulated to participants. There was a consensus that the terms of reference covered the major issues in the Horn. The terms of reference were clarified in the discussion with respect to geographic scope and time period to be covered. The main focus would be on Somalia, Ethiopia and Djibouti, but the U.S. position in and the attitudes of neighboring countries (e.g., Sudan, Kenya, Saudi Arabia) should be considered insofar as these impinge on the U.S. position in the Horn. It was agreed that the time frame of the policy review would be through FY-85.

The NSC representative welcomed a review aimed at defining an explicit policy in the Horn. Defense felt the question of resources needed in the next few years should receive attention. While this was generally acknowledged, it was agreed that this interagency group would not seek to develop aid packages. A separate group had already given close consideration to a Somalia package in anticipation of the visit of President Siad.

It was decided that State would develop a study paper for the next meeting as soon as possible after the Siad visit, i.e., by March 19, 1982.

#### ACTION ASSIGNMENTS

1. CIA to update the information on the military balance in the Horn contained in SNIE 76-81 dated June 23, 1981, and to provide a Memorandum to Holders of SNIE 36/76.1-81 dated November 4, 1981, on the Tripartite Pact. Information to be provided by March 12, 1982.

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- 2. Defense to address the question of strategic importance of and the projected U.S. military requirements for facilities in Horn countries and adjacent area through FY-85; it is recognized that planning may not be advanced sufficiently to permit firm prioritization for several months. Information based on best available estimates to be provided by March 12, 1982.
- 3. State to prepare a policy study, incorporating fore-going material as well as economic analysis of security problems and possible program responses of Horn countries with input from AID, by March 19, 1982.

L. Paul Bremer, III Executive Secretary

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